

GONZAGA-IN-FLORENCE SYLLABUS

Course: ITA 101 ELEMENTARY ITALIAN 1
Credits: 4 Credits
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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is mainly concerned with the study of the basic grammar structures of the Italian language; taking place in Italy, it is focused on the improvement of the skills that will help the students interacting with the Florentine environment in their everyday life. Therefore, grammar will be immediately used in talking and discussing vocabulary, expressions and culture.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

The continue practice in class will put the students in the condition to feel comfortable interacting with Italians during their experience in Florence
Also they will be able to tell about themselves and their lives and to express their opinions and feelings.

TEXTBOOK

Textbook : “Parliamo italiano (third edition)” by S.Branciforte and A.Grassi. Houghton Mifflin Company
“Parliamo italiano! workbook”

Daily explanations by the professor will supplement, expand and simplify the material of the textbook, so that students will be assisted in learning the language and culture of Italy

COURSE OUTLINE

September / October

Verbs ESSERE and AVERE

Definite articles

Indefinite articles

Nouns

Adjectives

Present tense of regular and irregular verbs

Prepositions

November

Verbs PIACERE and MANCARE

Possessive adjectives

Reflexive verbs

Prepositions and articles

December

Past tense

Direct object pronouns

GRADING SYSTEM

Students are graded on two exams, four quizzes and class participation.

Final : 30%

Mid Term : 20%

Quizzes : 30%

Class Participation : 20%

GRADING SCALE

100-92.5 = A	77.4-72.5 = C
92.4-90 = A-	72.4-70 = C-
89.9-87.5 = B+	69.9-67.5 = D+
87.4-82.5 = B	67.4-60 = D
82.4-80 = B-	
79.9-77.5 = C+	Below 60 = F

EXAMS

To be announced

Make-up exams are offered just if you have a serious problem and/or justification; in this case you should contact the instructor as soon as possible, otherwise missing a test is the equivalent of an F that will be factored into your grade.

ABSENCES

According with the general rules of Gonzaga in Florence program.

The students will be responsible for all explanations and work missed.

It is my philosophy that it is impossible to learn a foreign language without a constant practice in hearing, speaking and understanding, so class participation is integral and indispensable part of this process.